

RESOLUTION NO. 1996- 139

**AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 96075A WITH BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF OHIO FOR THE FURNISHING OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS COVERAGE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR WITH FOUR (4) ONE (1) YEAR OPTIONS (EST. \$5,550,000.00 - GENERAL FUND) - FRINGE BENEFITS ACCOUNT.**

WHEREAS, the proposal of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio located at 2060 East Ninth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44115 to provide administration of the Authority's indemnity medical, dental and prescription drug health care program for a one (1) year period with the Authority's option to extend four (4) one (1) year periods was received on July 30, 1996;

WHEREAS, negotiations with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio have resulted in an estimated price of five million five hundred fifty thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$5,550,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the General Manager deems the offer of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio, as modified through negotiations, to be advantageous to the Authority, price and all factors considered, and therefore recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the proposal submitted by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio, as modified through negotiations, be and the same is hereby accepted as the most advantageous offer, price and other factors considered, to provide the Authority's indemnity medical, dental and prescription drug coverages for a one (1) year period with the Authority's option to exercise up to four (4) one (1) year options.

Section 2. That the General Manager of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Ohio for the furnishing of health insurance, on an administrative services only basis with stop loss insurance, for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 1997 and ending December 31, 1997, with options to extend the contract for up to four (4) additional one (1) year options.

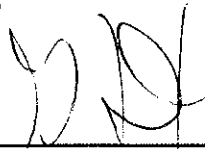
Section 3. That the base year of said contract shall incorporate and be consistent with the proposal dated July 30, 1996, as modified through negotiations.

Section 4. That said contract shall be payable out of the General Fund, Fringe Benefits Account, in the estimated amount of five million five hundred fifty thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$5,550,000.00).

Section 5. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon appropriations for future years; compliance by the contractor to the Specification and Addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 1993-88; bonding and insurance requirements, and all applicable laws relating to the contractual obligations of the Authority.

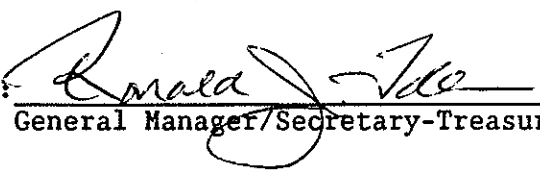
Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: October 15, 1996



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President

Attest:



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General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer